

## IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please CANCEL claim 5, AMEND claims 1-3 and 7 and ADD new claims 8-10 in accordance with the following

### **Listing of the Claims**

1. (Currently Amended) A thermoplastic resin product ~~composite material~~ comprising:

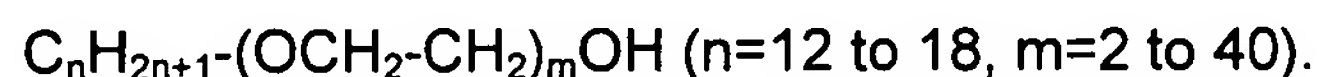
an aliphatic polyester;

a composite material comprising:

\_\_\_\_\_ (A) 100 parts by weight of at least one organically modified layered silicate produced by treating a layered silicate with an organic onium salt, and

\_\_\_\_\_ (B) 50 to 1000 parts by weight of at least one nonionic surfactant, wherein the organic onium salt is an organic onium salt selected from the group consisting of hardened tallow diethanolamine, dodecyldiethanolamine, methyl octadecyl dihydroxyethyl ammonium chloride, methyl dodecyl dihydroxypropyl ammonium chloride, polyoxyethylene octadecyl dimethyl ammonium chloride and methyl dipolyoxypropylene octadecyl ammonium chloride, and

the nonionic surfactant is polyoxyethylene alkyl ether represented by the following formula:



2. (Currently Amended) The thermoplastic resin product ~~composite material~~ according to claim 1, wherein the organic onium salt contains at least one polar group.

3. (Currently Amended) The thermoplastic resin product ~~composite material~~ according to claim 2, wherein the polar group is a hydroxyl group.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) A stretched film comprising the thermoplastic resin product composite material according to claim 15.

8. (New) The thermoplastic resin product according to claim 1, wherein the composite material contains 50 to 300 parts by weight of at least one nonionic surfactant.

9. (New) The thermoplastic resin product according to claim 1, wherein the thermoplastic resin product contains 1.7 to 41 wt % of the composite material.

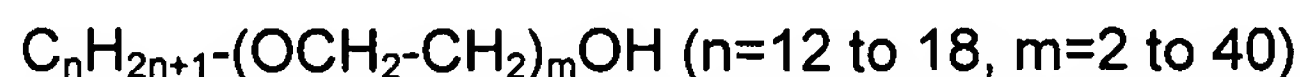
10. (New) A thermoplastic resin product comprising:  
an aliphatic polyester;  
a composite material comprising:

(A) 100 parts by weight of at least one organically modified layered silicate produced by treating a layered silicate with an organic onium salt, and

(B) greater than 100 parts by weight to 200 parts by weight of at least one nonionic surfactant, wherein

the organic onium salt is an organic onium salt selected from the group consisting of hardened tallow diethanolamine, dodecyldiethanolamine, methyl octadecyl dihydroxyethyl ammonium chloride, methyl dodecyl dihydroxypropyl ammonium chloride, polyoxyethylene octadecyl dimethyl ammonium chloride and methyl dipolyoxypropylene octadecyl ammonium chloride, and

the nonionic surfactant is polyoxyethylene alkyl ether represented by the following formula:



the thermoplastic resin product contains 4.5 to 20 wt % of the composite material.

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